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REPORT NO PAGE PAGES 5th AF ATILO IR-2-58 1. On 12 December 1957 an unidentified object was observed over the Sea of Japan to the west of the southern tip of Hokkaido. 230 - 242 2. The object, was described as circular with brilliant illumination. Color was reported as greenish-white, changing to yellow or white with orange color. 3. The object was under visual observation for a period of one hour, twenty minutes. Radar reporting of object was for a period of approximately thirty-five minutes 4. Radar reported height of object at 18,800 feet and speed 310 knots. Track was irregular on 12 December 1957 from 42° 50'N, 139° 30'E at 0856Z, 42° 55'N, 140° 30'E at 0900, 42° 55'N, 140° 50'E at 0902, 42° 45'N, 141° \$00E at 0911, 42° 55'N, 140° 30'E at 0912, 43° 12'N, 140° 20'E at 0918, 43° 20'N, 140° 33'E at 0920, 42° 34'N at 0922, 42° 20!N, 139° 37'E at 0928, 42° 00'N, 139° 18'E at 0929 and 41° 53'N, 139° 52'E at 0931. 5. Winds aloft were reported as follows: Surface 230/20; 10,000 feet, 290/20; 15,000 feet, 290/50; 20,000 feet, 280/80; 30,000 feet, 270/100; 50,000 feet, 280/60. Sky condition was clear with visibility of 25 miles. Inthisfile COMMENTS OF THE PREPARING OFFICER: 6. The basic information-was reported by message, cite WA-OPS 1193, DTG 1309152, December 1957 - Detachment 18, 848th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, cite SKOP 123, DTG 130445Z, December 1957, 848th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, and IR 100-57 dated 16 December 1957 from Headquarters, 39th Air Division, Misawa Air Base, Japan. 7. Photography was accomplished at 0900Z, approximately, with a Cannon Nikkon 105mm lens at f2.5, fl6, and f22, with exposure times between one and four minutes. 2 lets 8. Photography was by Capt William R. Gowdey, 613th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron, Detachment 42, APO 919. - dete ? themas manages dy, in great same, note !! Joseph alhoon JOSEPH A. CALHCON Observed resuschy for about the has

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This PI Report has been written to fulfill a request submitted by Captain George Gregory AFCIN 4E4g concerning analysis of UFO Photography.

1. After detailed review of IR 2-58 and three attached photos. It is apparent that discrepancies exist in the data presented.

The image measurements on the respective photos were as follows:

	Length (mm)	Width (mm)
P-21142	3.10	.05
P-21143	1.05	.11
P-21144	1.7	.11

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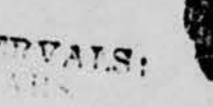
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P-21142	3.10	10 - 41	L' - 26"
P-21143	1.05	1.000	1' - 20"
F-21144	1.7		5' - 38"

2. Using the given speed of 310K or 5.94 mi/min and the limits of exposure times of 1 and 4 min the images shown could only have been produced by the item being at the respective ranges.

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Some foreshortening of the image would occur if the trace and lens axis intersected at an angle other than 90°, the extent is not determinable from the data given.



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3. The following is a list of the latitudes and longitudes for various sightings, and the time of each. The eighth sighting in this list contains only latitude.

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43° - 12' N	140° - 20'E		918Z	21.3	6	213	
43° - 20' N	140° - 33'E		920Z	14.4	2	432	
42° - 34' N			9222				
42° - 20' N	1390 - 37'E		928Z	83.9	8	629	
42° - 00' N	139° - 18'E		929Z	28,1	1	1686	
41° - 53' N	139° - 52'E		931Z	30.0	2	900	

The above positions were plotted and time between noted. The relation between geodetic and geographic coordinates were noted and the corresponding distances between points computed. From these values of distances and time average speeds were computed. The mean of these average speeds was 1262 mi/hr or a value not consistant with that reported. If the computed speed at 0900Z or 766 mi/hr were used instead of of the reported 310K to compute range. The ranges would be increased by a factor of more than two. Thus making the situation more improbable.

4. The location of the observation stations and the heading and elevation angles during sighting and exposures were not included, this data is of prime importance in relating photos to other supporting data.

Likewise, nothing was stated certaining type of film used or development it received. The photo images did not agree as closely as would be expected to the aperatures mentioned; however nothing definite can be ascertained because of the lack of data.

Conclusion: From the above analysis it is shown that considerable contradiction in results are the direct effect of inconsistent data. Unless the points in question regarding the data can be resolved no worthwhile interpretation can be made.

ANALYSIS BY:

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848TH AIRCRAFT CONTROL & MARKING SQUADRON United States Air Force APO 181, San Francisco, California

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24 December 1957

Report on Unidentified Flying Object (Unclassified) SUBJECT:

TO:

Commander

Pacific Air Forces

ATTN: FFIDC

APO 953

Subject report is submitted in accordance with PACAF Supplement Number 1 to AF Regulation 200-2, dated 12 August 1954.

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Headquarters, Pacific Air Forces, APO 953, San Francisco, Calif.

Commander, Air Technical Intelligence Center, Wright-Patterson TO: Air Force Base, Ohio

Inclosure 1 is forwarded for your information and retention.

FOR THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF:

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TO: AFCIN-4E1

ATTN:

FROM: AFCIN-4E4

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- 1. Request that the radar aspects of this UFO sighting be given a review and analysis.
- 2. Your findings or conclusions by comment hereon is desired by 13 February if possible.

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ATTN: Capt. Gregory

FROM: AFCIN-4E1

DATE; 5 Mar 58 COMMENT NR. 3 AFCIN-4Ela/V. D. Bryant/jc 72131/Bldg 263/P D14

- 1. This report is not sufficiently documented to enable a reasonable radar evaluation to be made. Obviously, photos of an object "thought to be the same object" as viewed visually and on radar two days earlier are of no value.
- 2. However, based on the above, and considering the number of people who observed the object(s) visually and on radar, there is no solid factual data to indicate just what these people did see. The erratic movements of the targets on the scope of course sound like anomalous propagation; but this does not explain the visual sightings. This report appears to fall in the category of those incidents which cannot be satisfactorily explained.

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Request for Photo Analysis - UFO Report IR-2-58, Japan

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26 Mar 58
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Ext. 6-9216/Bldg. 263

- 1. Attached is subject UFO report without inclosures.
- 2. It is our understanding that inclosures (film) have been separated from the UFO report and submitted to your office. UFO analysis cannot be performed with IR data alone. The photography will be required. Reference para, 1 of AFR 200-2. Hq USAF desires that UFO sightings be reviewed and resolved within 36 hours of receipt.
- 3. Inassuch as the film is in repository with your unit, in accordance with para, 1 and 4c, USAF Regulation AFR 200-2, and current ATIC policies request an analysis of referenced film be made, with view to establishing the probable identity of the object, with photo-analysis comments as to the factors giving rise to its being reported as a UFO, if it is determined in your opinion, to be a conventional object.
- 4. This Division was unaware subject UFO film was on file with your unit, and was in the process of making an immediate query to the overseas unit which submitted the UFO film, as to its whereabouts.
- 5. Also attached for your photo-analysis files are copies of previous analyses performed by your unit. These were found during the search for subject film, and was left by Major Willner during a 4D2c-4E conference on UTO procedures held last year.

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2 Incls:

1. PA Comment Sheet, W/IR-2-58, T58-8110-A (cy #1)

2. Misc. Data for Major Willner T58-S110-B(cy #1)

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UFO Report

AFCIN-4E4

FROM AFCIN-4A2f

COMMENT NO. 1

DATE 4 Feb 58 Maj R. M. Buckmaster/11 Ext 5-9196/Bldg 263/E-N

Photographs attached to UFO report from 848th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron have been examined and the following analysis made from a photographic viewpoint:

- a. Object photographed was a stationary light of some type and could be anything from a light bulb to a moon; but a moon or star is not likely because with an exposure of 45 seconds, there would be subject movement resulting in a streak.
- b. There is no similarity between the one print and the other 3 which are the same and it is doubtful that they are of the same object.
- 2. Any further photographic analysis of these photos would require negative and information on camera used, etc.

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TO: AFCIN-4E,

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DATE: 1 Apr 58

COMMENT NR 2

Capt Gregory

Maj R. M. Buckmaster/11 Ext 5-9196/Bldg 263/E-N

1. As requested, prints from attached film strip have been made and are inclosed. The film strip is a color positive and the prints are in black and white negative form.

- 2. From a photographic analysis of the prints, the following facts are evident:
- a. Exposure was definitely a time exposure made of a moving illuminated object.
- b. The difference in length of exposed streaks on prints is due to length of exposure and the speed object traveled during the exposure.
- c. The different width of objects in the three prints is due to the amount of halation on film caused by the intensity of light striking it. This, in turn, was controlled by the use of different aperture settings as stated in data sheet.
- d. Normally with an exposure made into the sky at time these photos were made, the stars will also appear as light streaks similar to the object. An overcast sky would prevent this but it would also prevent a planet from appearing.

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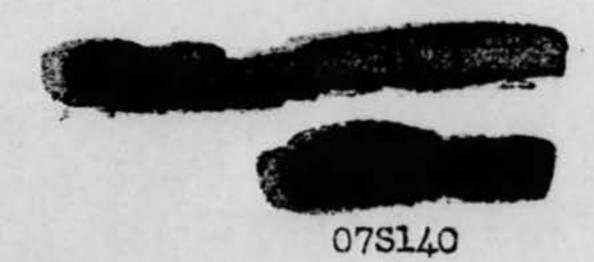
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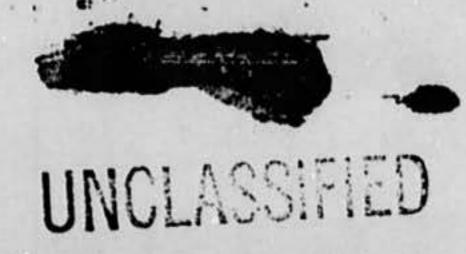
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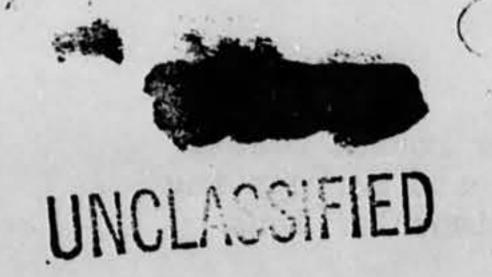
16 December 1957

SUBJECT: Report of Sighting And Attempted Intercept of UFO

- 1. Approximatly 0845Z 12 December 1957, I left the mess hall to return to my BOW. When passing the NCO barracks Sgt. Dickerson asked if I had seen the object. I went to the window in the jamesway and noticed what at first glance seemed to be a very bright light directly to the west and level with the FPs 3 tower. Object seemed to have a slight bobbing motion to it but no movement as to lateral displacement. I watched the object for thirty (30) seconds then called operations hill and requested that the senior director initiate a scramble through CC. The senior director had informed me that they were painting the object on HRI. I immeadiatly proceeded to operations. Upon reaching the top of the hill I again sighted the object. The object was located to the SSW and seemed to be stationary except for the bobbing motion. I went into operations and observed a definite blip well defined. The blip was stationary at first as if in an orbit. This blip at the time was approximately sixty (60) nautical miles from Plug Hat. I again went outside for a visual check and noticed that the object had moved approximately ten (10) degrees to the west. This movement was determined by a fix I had previously. I again went into operations and monitored the HRI. The object commenced to move and I timed it for one minute and established a speed of approximately 300 Knt. I then timed it for another minute and the speed had increased to over 400 Knt. By this time "Suoway Red", two F86D, had been scrambled from Misawa, and I took control of them and vectored them to the area of the object. The object faded from our NAUTICAL 15. height finder at 0951Z. At this time the interceptors were still 90 nauticle miles from target. I continued to vector the direraft to the last known position, but no visual contact was established. A position was given by Pearl Diver (another rader site to the southwest of Plus Hat) which proved to be an erroneous report. The only incense light that the pilots
- 2. The time between my first signting the object and releasing the aircraft for landing was from 17452 to 11074 12 December 1957.
- 3. I very deffinitly feel that the object I saw visually was not a star or planet. Plus being very brilliant it seemed to radiate small orange or red pinpoints of light from underneath.
- 4. Shortly after the contact lost by our radar equipment it was established that the radar had become inoperative due to a bad crystal. This could have caused the fade.

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Statement Concerning the UFO sighted by this station (Plughat-45). Time: Approximately 17:45-18:50 I with personel visual sighting at 1800 I or 0900Z.

Date: 12 December 1957.

Charlie Crew reported for evening shift 16:30I at 17:45I Lt. Wright was called outside by one of the airmen to observe a very bright light in the Southwestern sky. At approximately the same time this station was contacted by Site 18 to accrtain if we had a local visual on the light. At this time I checked the PPI and HRI for any pickup. I immediately picked up a blip on the HRI as follows: alt. 19,400 ft., Range 110 miles. There was no PPI pickup at all. I turned to the upper dais and reported the above information to Lt. Short, the Senior Director on duty. Immediately I turned again to check the object and found it had already moved into a range of ninty (90) miles in this short time. I next estimated the speed of the object to be between 500 and 600 knots. For the remainder of the time we carried the object at approximately 550 knots while it seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the stinular of the seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the stinular of the seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the seemed to be seemed to be pulling stalls while changing altitude up or down in the seemed to see the seemed to see the seemed to be seened to see the seemed to seemed to see the seemed to

At 17:55I I was able to get outside operations to view the object. At first visual sighting I judged the object to be SSW of this station. I did not get the immediate impression that the object was a star for the following reasons: (1) It seemed much too close, (2) To the maked eye it cast off a white light not at all hazy or with any blaish haze, (3) It looked much like a round auto headlamp in the far distance, (4) The object seemed to have a very white glow yet seemed to remain quite distinct to the eye. At first, with the naked eye movement was apparent. I then viewed the object through 7X50 binoculars. It was just above a red light on a distant mountain Southwest of this station. Immediately the object seemed to move toward the East, from my right to left. I then placed the glasses on a steady support three different times to assure myself of this movement. At a later time the object seemed to move in the opposite direction (Westward) until it finally faded from view of other observers. I think that the overlay, flight pattern later made up from plots on the object will verify the above. As I sighted the object through the binoculars at exactly 1800I I saw the following:

Glowing White Body -

Reddish-Orange flamelike color emitted from the rear of the object as it moved.

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Three Yellow armsvery distinct without tapering or having any sort of attachments.

The white body and yellow arms (3) were quite distinct in shape and color. The reddish-Orange glow from the apparent rear of the object seemed to

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change shape and length and had the appearance of a jet or rocket blast. For some few seconds the object seemed to have a reddish cast surrounding it, but I believe this was inate in the focusing of the binocular lens

rather than the object itself.

At exactly 1803I I returned to the Senior Director dais in operations and drew a picture as presented above. I thought that my own first impressions should be recorded immediately before talking about the object with others who saw it. From this time (0805I) I remained at the Senior Directors desk until the object faded on the Plughat HRI and visually outside. I recorded the facts of range, altitude, azimuth, etc. of the object as related by the crew chief, SSgt. Myrick, and other facts and times of actions concerning the object as they happened, all of which were submitted immediately following the incident.

GREGORY C. HOWARD 2nd Lt., USAF Director (A Crew)

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The UFO which appeared SSW of Asoiwayama on the 12th of December, 0845Z, appeared at first glance to be a bright star. I watched the object four times for periods of about three minutes each. The first two times I saw it, the intensity of light was very bright. The last two times, the glow was not quite as bright. (My sightings were at approximately 0855Z, 0910Z, 0940Z, and 0950Z.) I viewed it with a pair of 7X50 binoculars as well as the naked eye.

The object's form was oval, almost circular. The intensity of light seemed the same all over the oval form, but the left side glowed with rays of light much brighter than the right side. There were three long steady arms of light extending from the left side. These were from two to three times larger and longer than the other rays, and were the most distinct thing about the object. At times there appeared to be a double or triple image. This could have been caused by the binoculars. The most distinct second image and the only one visable with the naked eye was below the oval form giving a shadow effect. This second image was more of a red color (very light) than the oval form which was a white light. The object had no other distinct characteristics during the time I saw it.

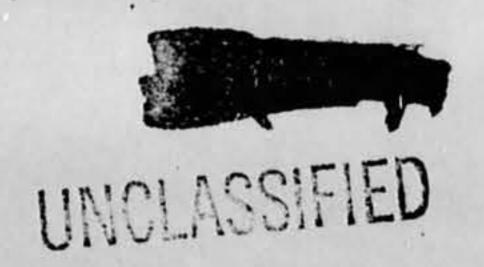
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A2C Davidson requested that I bring the binoculars and accompany him to view an object reported by Lone Wolf to this site. When I first viewed the object of concern it appeared to be a star except for the exceptional brightness of the object and the unusual way it glowed. The object appeared to be directly over a certain light on a distant mountain (approx. 2209 or 2309 in reference to Chitose) I first viewed this object at 0845Z 12 December 1957. As I watched the object and it continued to grow brighter, was heading toward Plughat (determined by position of object in relation to aforementioned light) and seemed to leave a definite path of light through the sky although very indefinable due to the glow completely surrounding the object. The object never went more than approximately 230° or 240° from Plughat. The object reached its maximum and size at approximately 0930Z. At this same time a message was relayed to me that the object had turned from the station. From the time the object turned away until it had faded completely it diminished in both size and brightness very rapidly. The object was reported to have been varying altitude many thousands of feet but I could not observe visually any change in the objects location (azimuth or altitude) except by its position relative to certain lights and landmarks observed by myself. The object faded from my sight approximately two minutes before the glow could no longer be observed. I lost complete visual contact with the object at 0952Z, 12 December 1957.

I feel quite confident that what I observed to be the only star in the sky on my way to work tonight (0730Z, 12 December 1957), in the same general direction from Plughat as the above mentioned object, was the above mentioned object already very distinct in the sky but not nearly so noticable since it was still light and there was no glow

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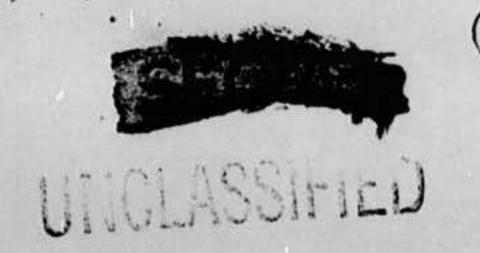
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At approximately 1830I, 12 December, my attention was called to an illuminated object, Southwest of this station. It was a circular object and looked like a landing light of an aircraft, except it seemed distant and extremely bright. The objects illumination seemed to fluctuate. I observed the phenomemon until approximately 1930 at which time it seemed to be moving West Southwest and illumination decreasing in intensity.

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At approximately 1810I, 12 December 1957, MSgt. Dickerson called me by telephone in my barracks (building T-10) informing me of the existence of "something" in the sky and requesting I attempt to get a picture of the object. I personally sighted the object a few minutes later while standing in front of the mess hall. At my first observation I noted a light of brilliant intensity at approximately 45 degrees from my position (using 90 degrees as directly overhead.) The object seemed to have about the same intensity as that of burning magnesium. I felt that I could discern movement like that of a huge pendulum; however I was unable to time a definite pendulum swing. The object approached the size of of a large grapefruit. There were stars in the area of the object and I noted nothing unusual about them. The object appeared to me to be over the Sea of Japan across Ichikari Bay. I observed the object from behind building T-21, from behind building T-25, and in the POL area on receiver hill. During these observations I noted that the object was becoming lower on the horizon and that the intensity of the object was not so great as when I originally sighted the object. I was unable to draw any realistic conclusions from my observations as to what or where the object was. My camera was inoperative during the entire period.

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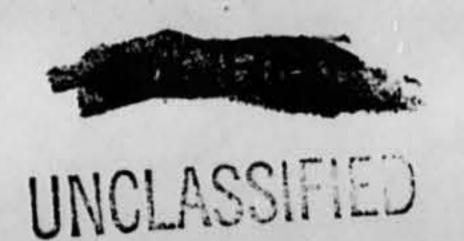
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At approximately 1800 Item I saw a very pright object in the sky southwest of this station. After I had watched the object for a while, I went into Radar Operations and had every scope manned in an attempt to "pick up" the object. We were unable to get a return on our search equipment, but a "paint" was observed on the height finding equipment. I then initiated a check of Unitose base Operations, Tower, and weather to determine the possibility of friendly aircraft in the area of our radar return; none of these agencies had aircraft in the area.

The object was continuously tracked with the AAI. The object's speed ranged from 550 to 700 knots. Altitude checks were made every minute. The object seemed to be "pulling stails" or orbiting and then recovering at high speeds. During the stails, the object dropped four to five thousand feet.

I, again, went outside, and the object seemed dimmer. It was the most unusual object I have ever seen. It appeared object or e.s shape with arms or rays extending outward from it; it was reduish looking at one end like a jet with after burners on.

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AFCIN-4E

DATE 19 Mar 58

COMMENT NO. 1

AFCIN-4E4g/Capt. Gregory/kmo

Ext 6-9216/Bldg. 263

1. Request that prints, suitable for review and analyses, be made from film strip of attached UFO report.

- 2. Further, request that an analyses be made of subject photographs with view to determining the nature or identity of object. It is desirable to ascertain if it is a slow moving object that has had a time exposure. This will assist the UFO analyst in a hypothesis advanced regarding the identity.
 - 3. Your findings and conclusions by comment hereon would be appreciated.

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Report, IR-2-58 dtd 15 Jan 58

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On the 12th of December 1957 at approximately 1815 hours I witnessed an object in the sky. An object to which I have never seen before. To the best of my knowledge I can honestly say that it was artifically lit and controlled by some means of a nuclear device.

The best description I can give is that it was a ball, so to speak,

of a highly illuminated and also dull light of the color white.

The appearance of the object was there and there for a definite purpose and I can honestly and truthfully say it wasn't any hallucination of any kind. This evening at approximately 1700 hours 15 December 1957 the object appeared again and I witnessed this same object from the camp site and once again it made the same appearance. My opinion of the object is definitely controlled by man due to the tactical approach and dispersement.

JOSEPH H. THOMAS

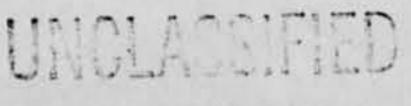
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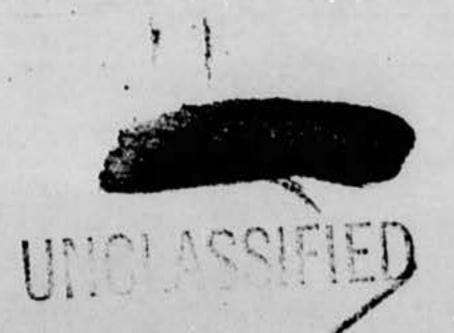
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The night of December 12 someone came into operations and said that there was a strange bright light in the sky. They said it looked like a bright star. When I went out to look at it, I admit it did look like a star. The light was white and very bright. It was south west of our station. Someone must have gotten the bright idea to turn our Hal antenna in that direction because we did have something painting at that azimuth. I don't remember the range and azimuth at the time we first picked it up but the closest range was about forty miles and its lowest altitude was about twelve thousand feet. Its speed was terrific. Since it was constantly orbiting we could get no definite speed. On the HRI its movements were to and from this station, up and down in altitude, and north and south from about 220 degrees to about 320 degrees.

Later when I went out to look at the light, it looked dimmer.

Fighters were scrambled on it. When they got close to it they were

supposed to have said it disappeared.

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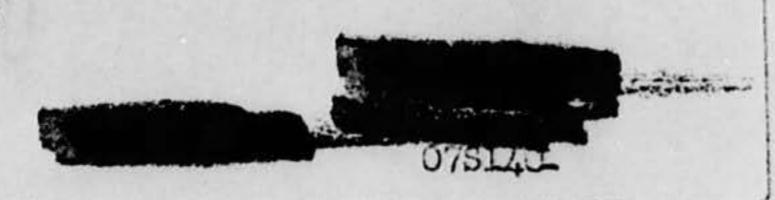
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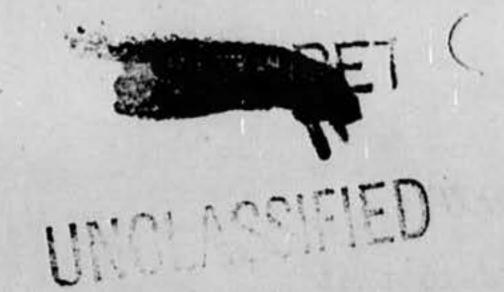
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Lt. Wright and I saw the object at about the same time, approximately 1750I, 12 December 1957. It was very easy to see without the aid of binoculars and was about three (3) times brighter than the brightest star. It was approximately at a ten (10) degree angle up from us. I looked at it through the binoculars and it appeared to be round with a very brilliant glow all around it. It seemed to be closer than any star in the sky and upon fixing the binoculars in a stationary position it was observed moving in a northern direction and tracking approximately North Northwest. I observed it for about ten (10) minutes and intermittently from then on until it disappeared at approximately 1845I. All the time I observed this object its glow didnot change in intensity until it began to fade about the last fifteen minutes. It appeared to be round and white in color.

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un 12 December 1957 at approximately 2015 Item, 1 observed a brient light in the sky. It was southwest of this station. To the eye, it appeared to be a star, only it was several times brighter and much larger. when observed through flerd classes, it have the impression of being several large lights. At this time movement could be detected. From the right side of the slasses to the Left was the pattern of movement.

The UFO was "ricked up" on one of our weapons. The following information was objained: direction--east; speed--jud knots; measured altitude--21,000 feet; scope presentation -- Small alrerait.

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During Subway Red's approach the aititude changed from al,000 feet to 12,000 feet with an unusual rate of descent. Its last measured altitude was 19,000 feet. The speed was a little better than out anots, and it was heading (wow

Approximately 10% mares from the station the Uto was joined with another similiar object. The second object was detected in miles from the site. The two objects then faded from our radar.

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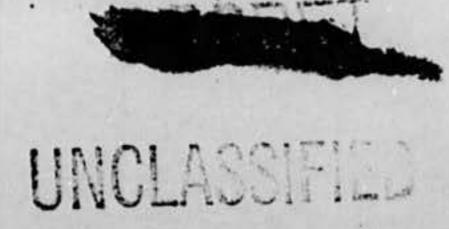
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My first impression of the UFO was that it was from the Southwest It appeared to be in somekind of an orbit moving West and then to the East. It was a Whitish color and quite bright. When I first saw it it appeared quite close. After visual contact I went to the HRI and picked up a blip flying between 12 and 21 thousand feet. Returning for a second visual I found the object to be dimming and moving in a Westerly direction.

William M. READ

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16 December 1957

We were working as usual on our 4:30 to twelve shift on the night of December 12. Things were going on normally when all of the sudden there was an increased amount of comotion. I was pulling scope at the time and didn't know at first what was going on. Everyone seemed to be rushing outside. I had someone to relieve me so I could find out what was going on. When I got outside there was a fairly brilliant white light in the sky. It was too close and too bright to be star. After I looked at it for a couple of minutes I came inside and began tracking it on the scope. From the way it appeared on the scope it amount of acceleration was tremendous. It varried altitude at almost every move. At one time I computed its speed at better than 700 miles per hour. Then when the fighters scrambled on it and got within a radius of about 70 miles, it just vanished. I might add that it wasn't a reflection off of some clouds because there were no clouds in the sky.

James L. Pierce

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REMARKS: Nogget 24 was on a local training flight and vectored at 0914Z by Site P-45 toward the object. The aircraft was unable to get a visual and stated at 0928Z he was getting low on fuel and requested to be broken off at 0920Z and was broken off at this time. Aircraft pancaked at Misawa Air Base.

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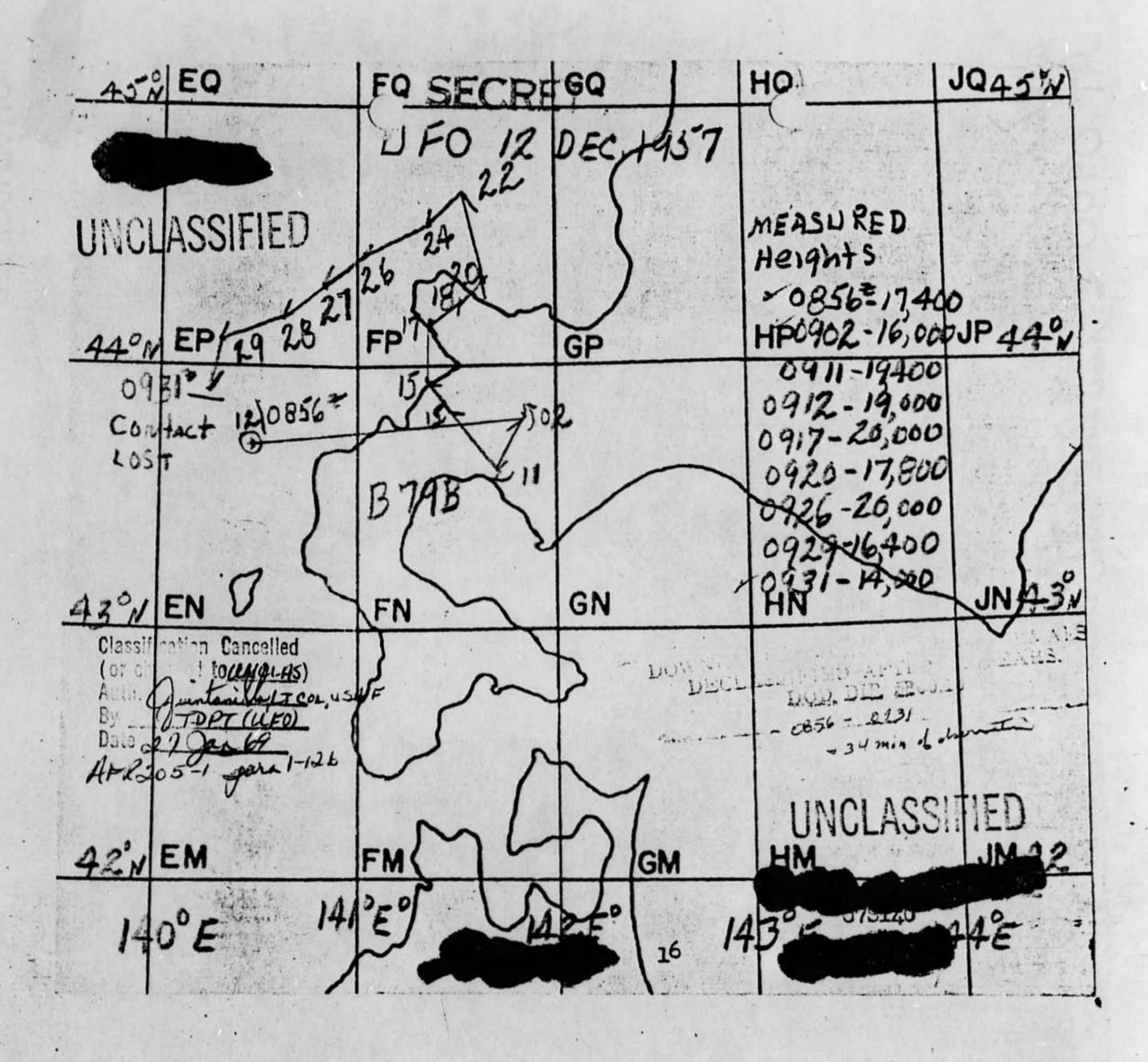
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REMARKS: Site P-45 assumed control of Subway Red at 0929Z and immediately was vectored toward the object. P-45 was painting the object by the Height Range Indicator and visually. Subway Red reported he had a visual on the object at 0939Z but lost it almost simultaniously. At 0955Z the aircraft reported a visual on a bright object off their port wing, but wasn't moving. In the meantime, site P-45 had lost contact, both visually and electronically with the object and Subway Red was told to anchor his position. Site 29 advised they were observing the object at a bearing of 240°, 110 miles from Site 45. Subway Red was vectored immediately 230°, and obtained another visual, but the object wasn't moving latterally, but vertically. The aircraft lost the object and were broken off at 11:02Z. Later, Site 29 reported that the object they were observing was a reciprocal.

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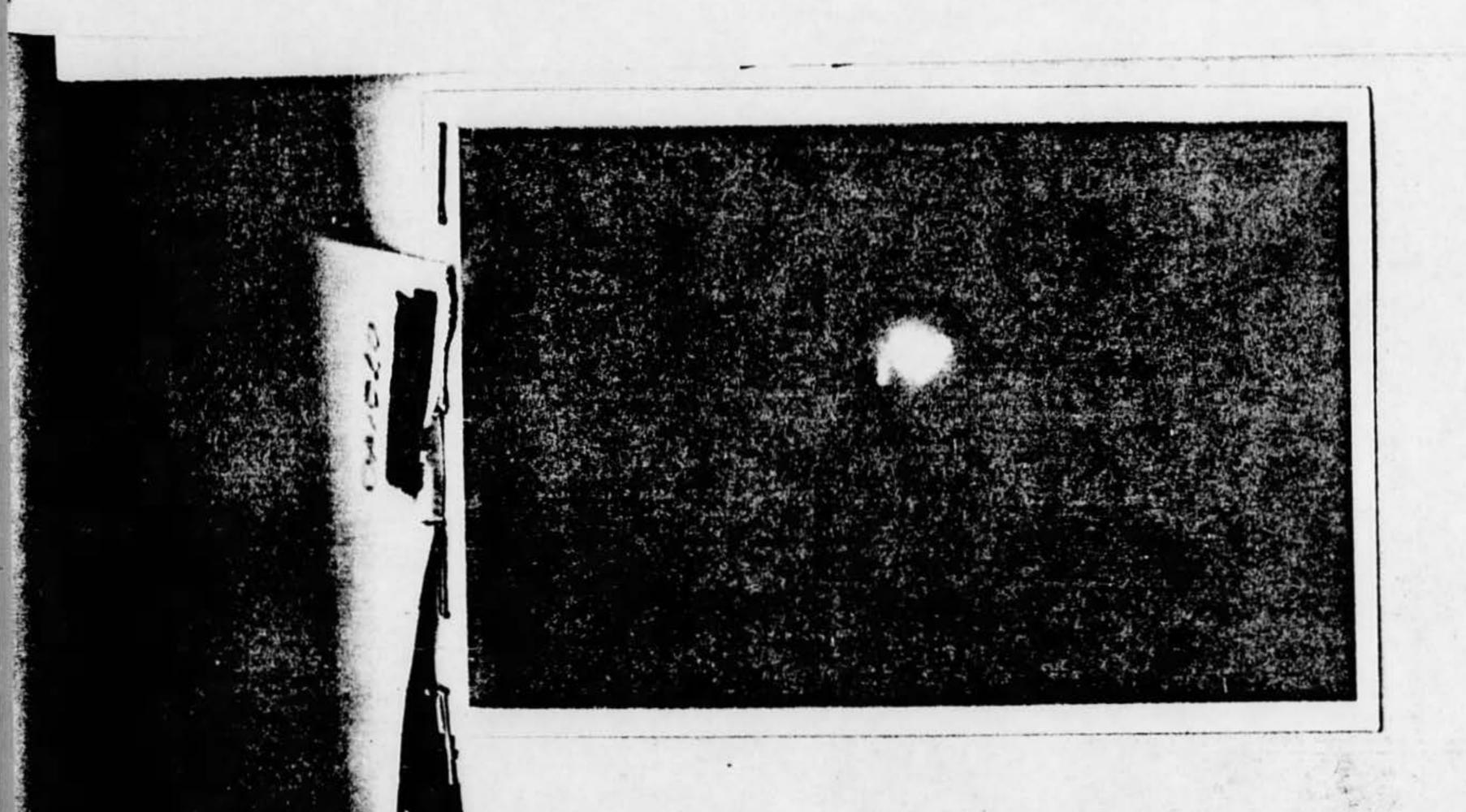
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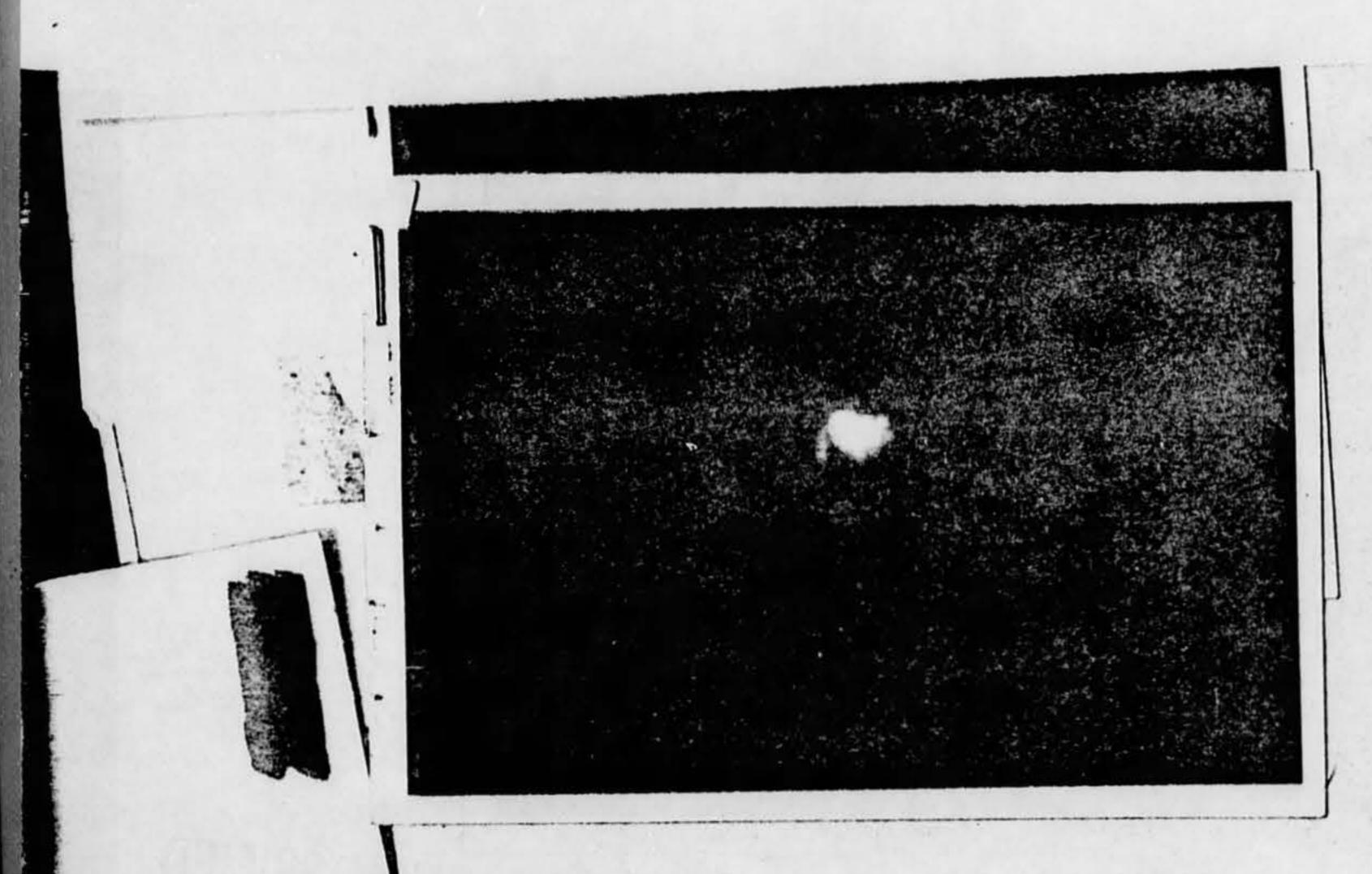
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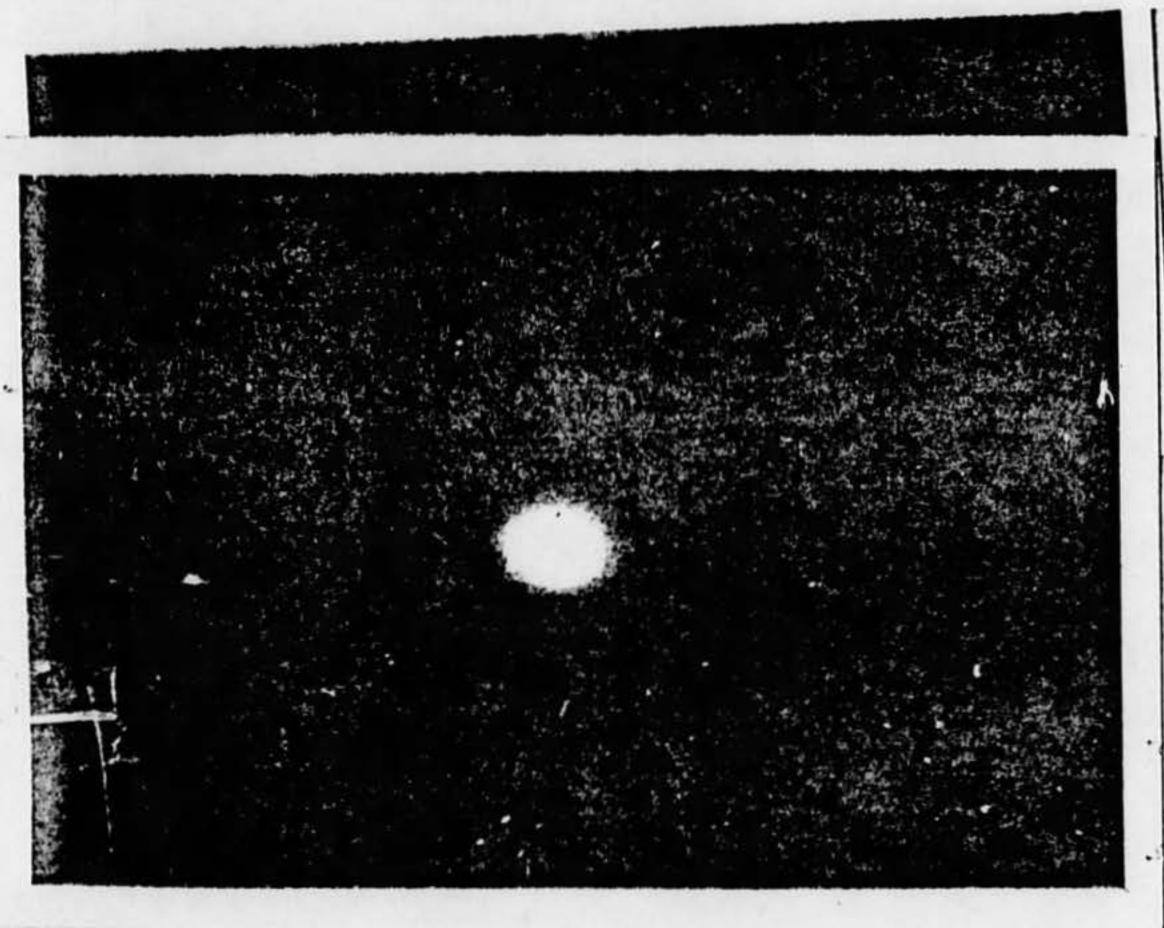
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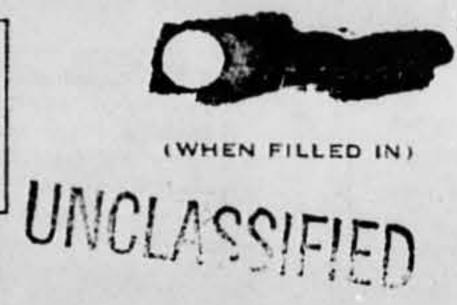
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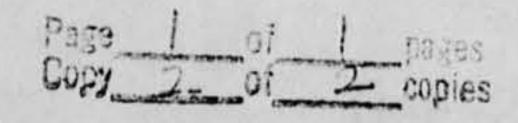
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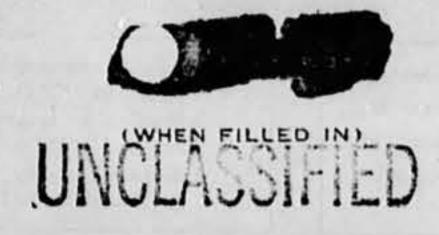
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(B) DARK

5. 43 DEG 28 MIN 20 SECOND NORTH, 14 NE DEG 31 MIN 18 SEC EAST

5. (A) N/A

(B) ESTIMATED 60 PERSONNEL FROM DET 45 OF 848 ACWRON, APO 18

7. (A) CLEAR

(B) SURFACE, CALM; 5000 FEET 260 DEG 3 KNTS: 10,000 FEET 260

DEG 35 KNTS; 16,000, 260 DEG 50 KNTS; 20,000, 270 DEG 75 KNTS;

3¢,øøø, 28ø deg 12ø knts; 5ø,øøø, 27ø deg 75 knts 8ø,øøø feet unk

8. N/A

9. 2 F-86 WERE SCRAMBLED FROM MISAWA AB AT \$922Z, 12 DEC 57.

THE ACFT SIGHTED WHAT THEY BELIEVED TO BE A BRIGHT STAR BUT

SIGHTING WAS NOT OBJECT OBSERVED ELECTRONICALLY. THE OBJECT

FADED FROM AN/FPS-6 BEFORE INTERCEPT COULD BE COMPLETED. RANGE

FROM INTERCEPTION TO OBJECT AT THE TIME OF FADE WAS 90 NAUTICAL

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10. NO KNOWN ACFT IN IMMEDIATE AREA

11. KOLB, CAPT, USAF, AF 835664, OPS TNG OFFICER, 848 ACWRON,

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12. TRACK OVERLAYS, STATEMENTS, INTERCEPTOR ACTION RECORD, AND

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